



81st COMMENCEMENT
BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL AMPHITHEATRE
BOB JONES *University*

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2008

PRELUDE: Fanfare for Organ (Psalm 81:1–3)..... John Cook
Partita on “What God Ordains Is Always Good” Johann Pachelbel

Dr. Ed Dunbar, organist

HYMN: Praise Ye Jehovah..... text, Bob Jones Jr.
music, Dwight Gustafson

(The congregation will stand.)

1	3
Praise ye Jehovah, Who from the beginning What He established in mercy maintains. Founding, providing, protecting, abiding, Praise to the Saviour Who constant remains.	Praise ye Jehovah, Who like as a father Comforts our sorrows and quiets our fears. Chast'ning, restraining, forgiving, sustaining, From the beginning to fullness of years.
2	4
Praise ye Jehovah, for heroes before us— Battle-scarred victors at rest from the fray. Praying, contending, proclaiming, defending, Faith of our fathers we will not betray.	Praise ye Jehovah, from furnace of testing, Fierce though the fire, the Saviour walks there. Loving, beholding, preserving, enfolding, From the beginning till He shall appear.
5	
Praise ye Jehovah, for glories awaiting, Prizes He giveth and crowns to be won. Claiming, progressing, obtaining, possessing, All He has promised through Jesus the Son.	

UNIVERSITY CREED: I believe in the inspiration of the Bible (both the Old and the New Testaments); the creation of man by the direct act of God; the incarnation and virgin birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; His identification as the Son of God; His vicarious atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the cross; the resurrection of His body from the tomb; His power to save men from sin; the new birth through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit; and the gift of eternal life by the grace of God.

DOXOLOGY: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

INVOCATION: Dr. Gary Weier, Vice President for Administration

ANTHEM: A Mighty Fortress..... Martin Luther
arr. Mark Hayes

University Chorale
Dr. Warren Cook, director
Instrumentalists: Bruce Cox, Paul Jantz, Dan Kirsop, Jonathan Lee,
Andrew-Rei Dongon, Rob Schoolfield, Dan Turner

OFFERTORY: Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty..... Lobe den Herren
arr. Paul Manz

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mr. Alan Carper, Executive Vice President

HYMN: Be Thou My Vision text, Ancient Irish
trans. Mary E. Byrne
music, Traditional Irish Melody

(The congregation will stand.)

1	Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.	3	Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
2	Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.	4	High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

SOLO: Trust In The Lord (Psalm 37:3–4) text, J. H. Sammis
music, David Parker

Dr. David Parker, soloist

SERMON: Chuck R. Phelps, DMin, President, Maranatha Baptist Bible College

HYMN: The Church's One Foundation text, Samuel J. Stone
music, Samuel S. Wesley

(The congregation will stand.)

1

The Church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation, by water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

2

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

3

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

4

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

BENEDICTION: Dr. Bob Jones III, Chancellor

POSTLUDE: Tuba Tune C.S. Lang

We wish to remind our guests that once the service has begun, no one will be admitted or readmitted.
The use of still and flash photography, video cameras, and recording equipment is not permitted.
We request that signal watches and personal communication devices be turned off during the service.

